

San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee

455 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, California
Milton Marks Auditorium
Wednesday, June 15, 2016
7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting Agenda

Note: Several members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors (who may comprise a majority of one or more Board committees) currently also serve as members of the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee (DCCC). The law is not clear as to whether the open meeting requirements of state and local law apply to DCCC meetings attended by these Board members. Out of an abundance of caution, Board members and the DCCC have agreed to comply with these open meeting laws.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair: Mary Jung. Members: Kat Anderson, Joshua Arce, David Campos, Malia Cohen, Petra DeJesus, Matt Dorsey, Bevan Dufty, Zoe Dunning, Joel Engardio, Bill Fazio, Tom Hsieh, Hene Kelly, Meagan Levitan, Rafael Mandelman, Eric Mar, Trevor McNeil, Carole Migden, Marjan Philhour, Leah Pimentel, Rebecca Prozan, Alix Rosenthal, Francis Tsang, and Scott Wiener. Ex-Officio Members: U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein; U.S. House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi; U.S. Rep. Jackie Speier; Board of Equalization Member Fiona Ma; State Senator Mark Leno; Assemblymembers Phil Ting and David Chiu.

2. Approval of Meeting Agenda (Discussion and possible action)

Discussion and possible action regarding the approval of this agenda.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes (Discussion and possible action)

Approval of the minutes of the DCCC's meeting of May 25, 2016 (minutes attached).

4. General Public Comment

The DCCC will take public comment on all items on the agenda and, in addition, other matters germane to party business but not on the agenda.

5. Reports (Discussion and possible action)

DCCC member reports, including discussion and possible actions, to offer updates on work assignments and discuss ongoing objectives.

- a) **Chair** (Jung). Report on DCCC activities for the summer, staffing and voter registration plans, and transitioning of records and other pertinent materials and documents.
 - b) **Voter Registration** (McNeil). Report on voter registration efforts.
 - c) **Club Chartering** (Pimentel). Report on chartering activities and review of rules going forward.
 - d) **Finance** (Dunning). Report on party finances.
 - e) **Treasurer** (Hsieh). Report on the current budget of the party.
 - f) **Labor Committee** (Arce). Report on activities of the S.F. DCCC's Labor Committee.
 - g) **CDP Region 6 Update** (Kelly). Report on activities of the California Democratic Party and upcoming Executive Board Meeting in Long Beach.
- 6. Resolutions: Adult Use of Marijuana Act.** (Arce) Discussion and possible action on resolution endorsing the Adult Use of Marijuana Act on the November 2016 statewide ballot (already endorsed by the California Democratic Party) to support a legalized, taxed, and regulated California Cannabis and Hemp Industry.
- 7. Bylaws Amendment: *Ex Officio* and Additional DCCC Members** (Rosenthal) Discussion and possible action on a proposed resolution to amend the S.F. Democratic Party's bylaws to add the Mayor and the members of the Board of Supervisors as *ex officio* members of the SFDCCC (provided they are registered Democrats); to expand the number of elected SFDCCC seats; and to correct an inadvertent prior omission for U.S. Senators. (Procedural notes: as a late item, placement on the agenda requires approval of no less than two-thirds of members present and voting, per S.F. DCCC Bylaws Art. IV (4)(d); as an amendment to the DCCC Bylaws, enactment requires approval of no less than two-thirds of members present and voting, per S.F. DCCC Bylaws Art. XII, Sec. 1.)
- 8. New Business** (Discussion and possible action)
 The DCCC is unable to discuss or take action on items not on this agenda when those discussions pertain to matters within the jurisdiction of the San

Francisco Board of Supervisors. The limited exception is to discuss and take action in deciding whether to calendar such items for a future meeting.

9. Adjournment

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Wednesday, May 25, 2016
7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting Minutes

1. Roll Call 7:07 p.m. and Call to Order at 7:09 p.m.

Present: Kat Anderson, Petra DeJesus, Matt Dorsey, Zoe Dunning, Joel Engardio, Tom Hsieh, Mary Jung, Hene Kelly, Meagan Levitan, Leah Pimentel, Rebecca Prozan, Alix Rosenthal, Francis Tsang, U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein (Jessica Glass), Congresswoman Jackie Speier (Brian Perkins), State Board of Equalization Chair Fiona Ma (Bill Barnes), State Senator Mark Leno (Keith Baraka), Assemblyman David Chiu (Jen Kwart).

Proxy: Bill Fazio (Mary Jung), Scott Wiener (Matthew Rothschild).

Arrived after roll was called: Josh Arce (7:16 pm), Trevor McNeil (7:17 pm), Eric Mar (7:24 pm), Bevan Dufty (7:42 pm), Rafael Mandelman (8:24 pm), Marjan Philhour (9:25 pm), Assemblyman Phil Ting (Alex Walker 7:13 pm).

Excused: Malia Cohen, House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi.

Absent: David Campos, Carole Migden.

2. Approval of Meeting Agenda

M/S/C (Matthew Rothschild/Meagan Levitan) to approve the agenda. Hene Kelly would like to adjourn the meeting with thanks to Meagan Levitan and Matt Dorsey. Mary Jung also would like to adjourn in memory of Eileen Hansen and Sergio Klor de Alva.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

M/S/C (Zoe Dunning/Levitan) to approve the minutes of the DCCC's meeting of April 13, 2016. Tom Hsieh will submit to the Recording Secretary the amended Resolution on the Piazza of St. Francis.

4. General Public Comment

Jung recognized Naeemah Charles for her work on behalf of the Party and announced she is temporarily filling in for former Executive Director Ally Medina, who left for an organizing job with a labor union. Charles will help out during public comment.

Kathy Wu spoke against the HomeShare Platform resolution and stated that the permitting process needs to be fixed first.

Laura Thompson of the HomeSharers Democratic Club commented that she went through the registration process which they found to be difficult, so they started an education program.

Karen Cancino spoke about 571R – the latest hurdle put before HomeSharers – making a list of everything in a room. The requirement of an inventory is burdensome. The Assessor could have waited to provide a relevant form. Hosts are not registering because of the burdens.

Lorraine Rorke Bader uses homesharing to supplement her income now that her husband is no longer alive. She went through the registration process at the beginning and it did not take long, but now there are those who are waiting at least two months to get a permit.

Brian Kemler spoke about promoting and streamlining home sharing. Hosting is a way to bring the world to him when he is not able to travel. It is an intrusion of his privacy to have to give his whereabouts on a poorly written form. It's regulatory overkill. Tax form 571 is meant for hotels, not private citizens.

Eric Mehard lived in a home for almost 30 years. Affordability is not just an issue of rents, there is maintenance to pay for. The Planning Department has shut them down. Because of the time they don't live there, they cannot be on the Registry.

Doug Neilson spoke about homesharing. He has registered. He has a business license and insurance. Then he got the form 571 and filled that out. Everything he listed came to about \$3,500, including toothbrush holders. This will take the City staff so much time to review. 4,000 registrants will take a lot of City staff time to review and track.

Kevin Kreici is a District 4 voter and a homesharer. He owns an in-law that is empty most of the year. The supplemental income helps especially since he has Parkinson's'. He is with the Electronic Funds Foundation.

Kenix Zhong spoke about the lengthy registration process.

Jennifer Fieber of the SF Tenants Union spoke in favor of the STR platform accountability. There are 8,000 listings on AirBNB. Listings should be legitimate. It is common business sense to insist on accountability.

Theresa Flandrich from Seniors and Disability Action stated homes have been lost due to vacation rentals. Those units that are on the market should be delisted. 80% unregistered cannot be about the forms. Delist those that are not registered.

Lorraine Petty spoke about how great a threat unregulated short term rentals are. Enforcement does not seem to work. This is a business that is tearing neighborhoods and friendships apart. She is talking about illegal rentals, not someone renting a room.

Calvin Welch spoke in favor of the resolution. He says that if people have problems with the registration process, they should take that up with City Hall and AirBNB. STRs represent the "vacancy rate." Merely requiring the web hosts not to list seems rational and fair.

Kathy Lipscomb of Senior and Disability Action spoke in favor of the resolution. She believes there is a correlation between the STRs and evictions. If people are renting longer than they should, how will the City know that? AirBNB had to be struggled with to pay the \$25 million in back taxes.

Ian Lewis with Unite Here, Local 2, praised those who comply with the registration requirements. AirBNB is not a tech company. It is a hotel franchise company.

Jessica Mullan is a homeowner who lives in Sunnyside with her family. She regrets voting no on F. After she moved to her new home, she came next door to a place that would have 20 people with two bathrooms. The host "snoozed" the listing, taking it off at night. She complained to the Planning

Department and the Department of Building Inspection, but they said nothing could be done.

Jung acknowledged California Democratic Party (CDP) Executive Board Member Keith Umemoto, who also serves on the CDP Credentials Committee and is running for re-election to the Democratic National Committee (DNC), noting that the Executive Board in June would be voting for the DNC delegates. She said the delegates elected in June would be attending the 2020 DNC Convention, not the one in Philadelphia in June. She explained their doing this takes the Bernie/Hillary politics out of the equation since delegates don't know who will be running for 2020 yet. This is a CDP rule, not DNC.

Public comment closed at 7:42 pm.

5. Reports

- a) **Chair.** Jung reported on DCCC activities and the Slate Card, which has already hit mailboxes. The federal card will be produced. The regular card is in Spanish and Chinese as well. She thanked everyone for making the program possible. Rothschild said it is very difficult to raise the money and comply with the rules to produce a federal card. He applauds Jung for doing that.

Jung said she has been working on the 2016 calendar since last year and has reserved a room in the State Building for every month this year. There is a June meeting, plus meetings in November and December. We will discuss records transition between terms – need a way to push records forward and be transparent.

The DCCC swearing in will be on July 20th, the 3rd Wednesday of the month. This meeting was moved up so that those attending the DNC Convention or are watching convention speeches can participate. She explained the DCCC has access to these rooms under the grace of one of our state elected officials. This year, Assemblyman David Chiu helped us. We try to work around special holidays. Jung acknowledged Kelly's comments on having more meetings, so November and December meetings were scheduled to accommodate this request.

- b) **Voter Registration.** Trevor McNeil reported the DCCC registered over 400 voters at the last two naturalization ceremonies. Primaries bring out more people who are interested in registering and reregistering. The DCCC has

had a lot of great drives and attended a lot of festivals. There will be a June bounty program.

- c) **Club Chartering.** Leah Pimentel reported the RFK Democratic Club has raised \$600 for Project Level and has volunteered for Meals on Wheels, Generation Citizen and Hamilton House. The Portola Neighborhood Democratic Club and the Portola Garden District Democratic Club are applying for charters. Lily is the president of PNDC and Jay Cheng of PGDDC.

M/S/C (Pimentel/Levitan) to charter these two clubs.

The President of PGDDC, Jay Cheng, spoke about an exciting year pushing for a Democrat in the White House.

President Lily of the PNDC has been a resident of the Portola for 10 years. Her next door neighbor speaks monolingual Chinese and finds it too difficult to vote, so she wants to help him.

- d) **Finance.** Dunning reported our Cinco de Mayo fundraiser raised about \$95,000. This helped with the slate card.
- e) **Treasurer.** Hsieh reported our cash position is very strong. We have the money we need to meet expenses, pay staff, etc.
- f) **Labor Committee.** Josh Arce reported the next meeting will be Monday, June 20, at 6 pm at Tommy's Joynt, good union signatory.
- g) **CDP Region 6 Update.** Kelly reported there were a lot of DNC candidates and it was an exciting time. The CDP Executive Board meeting is in Long Beach. Everyone is welcome. She asks that people join DEM2016 before that is over.

Matt Dorsey announced that we have a signed and framed resolution honoring State Senator Mark Leno as a hero to workers.

- 6. **Bylaws Amendment: Parliamentarian Provisions.** Discussion on proposals to amend the Bylaws respecting parliamentary procedural training and the role of the Parliamentarian. (Note: DCCC Bylaws amendments require a vote of two-thirds of members present and voting, per S.F. DCCC Bylaws Art. XII, Sec. 1.)

- a) **Procedural Training and Certified Parliamentarian Pilot (Kelly).** Proposal to establish periodic parliamentary procedural training and a three-meeting pilot to engage a Certified Parliamentarian to preside independently over parliamentary questions at DCCC meetings.
- b) **Procedural Training and Appointment of Associate Member as Parliamentarian (Rosenthal).** Proposal to establish annual training in parliamentary procedure and provide for the appointment of an associate DCCC member to preside as Parliamentarian at DCCC meetings.

Discussion: Alix Rosenthal spoke about the body possibly training in July with a volunteer Parliamentarian on Roberts' Rules of Order.

Bevan Dufty suggested that we should pay for the services.

Jung explained that the hourly rate for a Parliamentarian is the same cost as a lawyer, and while that might make sense for the first training, she wasn't willing to commit to hiring a Parliamentarian regularly due to the financial burden. She thought the additional cost for this could be several thousand dollars and wasn't willing to commit to a financial burden like this.

Hsieh stated that to incur expenses in this term seems a little unnecessary. He'd prefer to do the training off-site. We have a working committee to take this on.

M/S/C (Rosenthal/Kat Anderson) Passed by acclamation to have a Parliamentarian train the newly-constituted DCCC in July.

7. Resolution: Illegal Short-term Rental Units: Delisting and Fines. (Feinstein, Leno, Campos and Levitan)

M/S (Levitan/Dufty) Discussion and possible action on resolution calling on hosting platforms to immediately delist illegal and unregistered units, and urging the Board of Supervisors to revise San Francisco's short-term rental ordinance to establish fines for platforms that offer illegal, unregistered units to tourists.

Levitan commented that this will be her last action having been here since 1988. She thanked her co-sponsors and those who came out to speak. She

believes greatly in participatory democracy. Much of the testimony heard is not relevant. This resolution is about corporate responsibility. When Prop F was before this body, many said they wanted to see about the law's development. Mayor's office provided data. There are 5,000 units that will not register because of the following: 1) they have a condo (violation of CC&Rs if they rent), 2) violates lease, and 3) not the primary residence. We must hold these platforms to account. Without this, we will continue to lose vital housing in the city. The testimony tonight is compelling on the impact of the bad actors.

Levitan continued, this is a "no-brainer" if you believe in fairness and following the law. Vote "yes."

Petra DeJesus thanked everybody for coming out and for their emails opposing this resolution. She also has an illegal in-law, a lot of people do. AirBNB needs to be a good corporate citizen, be accountable, and obey the laws. Uber is a taxi service. They are a common carrier, but they deny that they are. AirBNB needs to ensure that people comply with the registry. This resolution is balanced. DeJesus claimed that AirBNB has contributed to smear campaigns and has funded people on this body.

Hsieh called for a point of order. Jung pounded the gavel. DeJesus continued to comment through the request for a point of order.

Hsieh commented that Robert's Rules of Order are clear that personal attacks are not allowed. The discussion must return to the resolution.

Dorsey thanked everybody for coming out and getting emails to him to vote against this. No one is a bigger supporter of homesharing than he. Homesharing helps to build a life, like roommates. Tourism puts tremendous pressure on the marketplace. SF has a terrible housing crisis. We don't have a tourist housing crisis. In Miami Beach, homesharing platforms have been banned. There are set progressive fines. What he wants to say to the sponsors of the BOS legislation is he finds their legislation measured, modest, and fair. Put the onus on the hosting platforms, where it belongs, to respond to notices for requests, provides for penalties against hosting platforms. We should have housing for San Franciscans and let tourists stay in hotels.

Hsieh spoke about the benefits of this resolution. This is not a political campaign. This is a complicated piece of legislation that involves technical

laws on the federal, state, and local level. He'd like to help make this a more fair proposal and spoke to the spirit of a resolution, rather than a campaign. He did research and found out that there are 14,000 hosts and 25 platforms but all he hears about is one company. He'd like to offer an amendment that includes the entire hosting platforms across a lot of companies. Let's hope that the Supervisors will hear us and follow our lead. One more amendment – on the final resolve. Because we've heard from many of the current hosts – streamlining the registration process should incent folks to register. If it takes forever to fill out Form 571, we need to help them and streamline that. We need to develop stronger enforcement for hosts.

This is a no-brainer and would like us to follow the law.

Kelly points out that everything that Hsieh did was out of order. She stated he should not talk about something before offering an amendment, which you will learn if you stay on this body. She speaks against the motion because it changes what we have done here. Yes, there are other platforms. You go after the biggest one and the other ones will fall in line. This resolution is stronger without the amendments.

M/S/C (Hsieh/Rosenthal) to amend the resolution.

Rosenthal is a registered AirBNB host. She has hosted folks from twelve countries and exposed them to SF arts and culture. Every single person has commented on our great water quality. She agrees that more needs to be done to route out bad hosts.

Her job at a tech company became unstable last year in August. She decided to rent out an extra room in the home where she lives. This is legal for her. It provided the income stability that she needed. She looked into the registration process and decided she would follow up. She wanted to make sure she wanted to do this before going through that process, so she listed first and put her extra room up. Her first couple of guests were awesome. She went to the Office of Short Term Rental Housing. You have to go in. There are not a lot of people in the office. There are thousands of people who want to do this. Need more staff. She showed that her listing was her primary residence. She gave all her personal information to this government entity and that made her nervous. She also knew she needed a business license. She went to see Victoria in the morning who told her to get a business license first. She went to Treasurers' office and there was a long line and she left.

She went back the next week, waited in long line and was told she could register online. She registered online. Waited 2 weeks and did not hear anything. She waited several blocks of two weeks. Lots of hassle, lots of process. It took her three months to get her permit. She desperately wanted to be registered. She was calling every other day to be sure her permit was coming through. This is not a unique experience. It is not realistic to require hosts to go through this. She wants some sort of grace period for new hosts, so people can try it out and have a timeline for the City to get back to people. She also has 2 listings – one for a room and one for her entire house, so it is not easy to take down listings.

Jen Kwart commented for Assemblyman David Chiu that a couple of years ago, this industry was truly the wild, wild west. It was nearly impossible then and about impossible now to put the Genie back in the bottle. This only works if very real resources are put into enforcement. He respects this body and the BOS to have that conversation. Every other platform must do its part –and be in accordance with federal law. Chiu supports the amended resolution.

Laura Foote Clark, proxy for RFK president – it's a great idea to make this universal because millennials have no loyalty to a certain platform. It's a great amendment. Maybe some of these hotels should be transformed into apartment buildings.

Levitan said she was first elected to this body in 1988 and she objects to this body's practice of gutting the resolutions that come before it. The intent is on the floor – if you do not agree with it, don't vote for it. AirBNB is responsible for the vast majority of these listings. They want to provide cover for people with multiple sites. The measure at the BOS will of course affect all of the hosts. These platforms must be fined. If we do not, then there is no incentive for them to go after the bad actors.

DeJesus stated her belief that backroom politics are behind these suggested amendments, and that this process is undemocratic. She objected to the way the Moratorium on development in the Mission was amended. She urged a "no" vote.

Kwart clarified that she and Chiu have discussed this resolution and have worked with this issue for many years.

Brian Perkins is concerned about the last two sentences – the last amendment language is superfluous. What is the reference to federal laws?

Hsieh commented that nothing we are doing today is a back-room deal. We are more transparent than any other body of this committee before. There is a federal law 230, enacted to allow the internet to develop into whatever it is today and what it will be in the future. 230 says that you cannot sue Yelp because you don't like the reviews – it immunizes Yelp from being sued because it did not develop the content.

Perkins commented that there is ambiguity. Keep ambiguous language out. Keep the resolution transparent. Don't include the language at the end.

Rosenthal, citing CDA 230, commented that many hosts have been sued and in every case that she is aware of, the hosts were not found to be responsible. In her experience as a City Attorney, it's very expensive for the city and not worth doing to lose a lawsuit against these platforms. The City of Portland recently sued HomeAway, and the court stayed all enforcement while the case was going on. She'd like to seek quick enforcement.

Alex Walker commented that for proxies to be effective at voting for their officials, it would have been good to have the amendment ahead of time. This does not exactly mirror what could happen on the BOS. He looked at the Section 230 for a bit and consulted someone who thinks it will pass muster. He'd be happy to discuss the merits, but he does not have time to consult Assemblyman Phil Ting. He asks for a process for amendments.

Rafael Mandelman apologized for walking in an hour and a half late into the meeting. He sees that there is illegal activity and the BOS needs to address that and impose fines. It is what SF does – pursuing litigation. SF would not be alone fighting. We have great City Attorneys and they will present defensible legislation. He cannot support something that eviscerates the intent of the resolution.

Dorsey said we have marriage equality because San Francisco broke laws. There will be litigation on that. That is not a reason to avoid something.

What if we were just to say – to take your word on all of these. Let's accept everything up to "...users...."

Catherine Bloom of HomeSharers Democratic Club, proxy for Peter Kwan, read from a letter he wrote: Last November, SF voters rejected F, a bitter and expensive ballot measure. Barely six months later, more on this. The voters have spoken. The BOS needs to move on. Good chance that the proposed law violates Federal Law. CDA 230. Platforms should do more to work with the City. As a matter of social policy, governments should take special care before deputizing private entities. The opportunity for over-reach is significant. Scapegoating homesharers is not a solution.

Hsieh responded to Dorsey's offer of an amendment. Thank you for agreeing to the first paragraph of amendments. It expands the education that this is not one company. I actually would agree with you to establish fines if it is within the law. He'd like to keep in "advertise commercial short-term rentals in accordance with Federal laws that would be likely to withstand a legal challenge." He is concerned about the legality of fines stymying the continuation of enforcement. He thinks this is a very good document. He apologizes to those here who do not like the amendment, but those are allowed in every other kind of legislative body.

Dufty commented that he will vote against the amendment and wants the opportunity to vote on the original resolution. He'd like to maintain the integrity of the original resolution.

Jessica Glass stated that she does not agree with the federal language.

Hsieh offered the two amendments and took Dorsey's amendments. Vote on my amendment up or down. Want the BOS to develop stronger enforcement for hosts and acts in accordance with Federal Law. We want the BOS to do their homework.

Keith Baraka will have to associate himself with what Walker said, and he represents Leno who signed this so he supports the original resolution.

Walker requested a vote on the original document.

Dorsey withdrew his amendment because it is not his to amend.

Kelly will vote for the original and "no" on the amendment. She really likes the "resolved" here that has "platforms" and because of the plural, the long list of

platforms is not necessary. She wants to vote on the original because she has often had her resolutions gutted.

Laura Foote Clark said she would love amendments to be circulated ahead of time. She would like BOS meetings to be accessible to working people. The trouble that Alix encountered is telling. We need to enable the non-professionals to get registered legally. We also encourage people to go into this full time because of the difficulty.

Joel Engardio wrote a column in the Examiner in January that discussed the need to list and we need to address how difficult it is to register and he likes that amendment.

Levitan wants to call the question and move it along.

The members first voted on including Rosenthal's amendments to Hsieh's amendments. Her amendments were accepted on a vote of 13 Yes, 10 No, and 3 abstain.

Yes: Anderson, Arce, Dunning, Fazio, Hsieh, Jung, McNeil, Philhour, Pimentel, Prozan, Rosenthal, Tsang, Wiener.

No: DeJesus, Dorsey, Dufty, Kelly, Levitan, Mandelman, Mar, Speier, Leno, Ting.

Abstain: Engardio, Feinstein, Chiu

The members next voted on accepting Hsieh's amendments, as amended by Rosenthal's amendments. These passed on a vote of 14 yes, 11 no, and 1 abstain.

Yes: Anderson, Arce, Dunning, Engardio, Fazio, Hsieh, Jung, McNeil, Philhour, Pimentel, Prozan, Rosenthal, Tsang, Wiener.

No: DeJesus, Dorsey, Dufty, Kelly, Levitan, Mandelman, Mar, Feinstein, Speier, Leno, Ting.

Abstain: Chiu

Dufty urged his colleagues to vote against this resolution as amended.

Walker stated he will not be able to vote on it as amended.

The members voted on the resolution as amended, and it passed a vote of 14 yes, 11 no, and 1 abstain.

Yes: Anderson, Arce, Dunning, Engardio, Fazio, Hsieh, Jung, McNeil, Philhour, Pimentel, Prozan, Rosenthal, Tsang, Wiener.

No: DeJesus, Dorsey, Dufty, Kelly, Levitan, Mandelman, Mar, Feinstein, Speier, Leno, Ting.

Abstain: Chiu

8. New Business

Member Arce has been reached out to by people supporting the Adult Use of Marijuana Act and will pass the information along to Dorsey.

9. Adjournment at 9:36 p.m.

M/S/C (Rosenthal/Dunning) to adjourn the meeting in honor of out-going members Meagan Levitan and Matt Dorsey, and in memory of Eileen Hansen and Sergio Klor de Alva.

Engardio commented that Sergio's parents set up a memorial scholarship fund to pay for internships.

Kelly announced the Hansen memorial service is June 8 at 5 pm at Unitarian Universalist Church.

RESOLUTION for the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee to endorse the Adult Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA).

WHEREAS, at the Statewide Democratic Party Executive Board Meeting, during the General Session, 07-31-11, passed the California Democratic Party RESOLUTION: *Creating New Jobs and Tax Revenues with a Californian Cannabis and Hemp Industry* to put our state party on record as supporting a legalized, taxed and regulated Californian Cannabis and Hemp Industry.

WHEREAS, the Adult Use of Marijuana Act is a November 2016 statewide ballot measure to control, regulate and tax adult use of marijuana that will greatly advance Creating New Jobs and Tax Revenues with a Californian Cannabis and Hemp Industry.

THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, The San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee endorses the Adult Use of Marijuana Act, and encourages all California voters to vote for it in the November election.

Sponsor: Joshua Arce

**Resolution of the San Francisco Democratic Party
Amending the Party's Bylaws and its Policies & Procedure Manual
to Expand the Party Membership**

WHEREAS, the Bylaws of the San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee (SFDCCC) and its Policies & Procedures Manual allow for registered Democrats who hold state and federal offices who reside in San Francisco to serve as *ex officio* members of the SFDCCC. These members currently include State Senator Leno, State Assembly members Ting and Chiu, US Senator Feinstein, Congresswomen Pelosi and Speier, and Board of Equalization Member Ma. These members have the same voting rights as a member who is independently elected to the SFDCCC.

WHEREAS, the races for seats on the SFDCCC have become highly competitive, in part because current and former elected officials run for – and hold - these seats. This means that the number of DCCC seats available for party activists who have never held another office is shrinking. It is in the party's interest to increase the number of seats available for grassroots party activists, who have the time and energy to dedicate to critical party activities such as club chartering, registering voters, running the endorsements process and organizing events.

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor, as leaders within the local Democratic Party, should each have a voice in the party's decisions. Granting them each an *ex officio* membership in the SFDCCC will give them that voice, and will free up several seats for party activists who do not currently hold another elective office. In addition to making this change, the party wishes to add seven new seats to the committee and make several other related changes as described in the attached amendments to the San Francisco Democratic Party's Bylaws and Policies & Procedures Manual.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the San Francisco Democratic Party hereby amends Article II, Section 1(a)(2) of its Bylaws and Article XI, Section 1 of its Policies & Procedures Manual as more specifically provided in Attachment A and Attachment B hereto, in order to:

- (1) Add the Mayor of San Francisco and the Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors as *ex officio* members of the SFDCCC if they are registered Democrats;
- (2) Allow incumbent SFDCCC Members David Campos, Malia Cohen, Eric Mar and Scott Wiener who also serve on the Board of Supervisors to retain their elected DCCC seats without becoming *ex officio* members;
- (3) Add seven seats to the SFDCCC, four being in Assembly District 17, and three being in Assembly District 19; and
- (4) Fill the vacancies created by this resolution with the candidates in each Assembly District who did not win seats in the June 2016 SFDCCC election, but who were the next highest vote getters (e.g., if seven seats are created in AD 17, those seats would be filled with the candidates who came in 15th through 21st in the June 2016 election in that District, and if five seats are created in AD 19, those seats would be filled with the candidates who came in 11th through 15th in the June 2016 election in that District).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the San Francisco Democratic Party hereby corrects Article II, Section 1(a)(2) of its Bylaws to add US Senator and state Constitutional officers to the list of *ex officio* members of the SFDCCC as more specifically provided in Attachment A hereto.

Sponsor: Alix Rosenthal

Attachment A

Proposed Bylaws Amendment

New language appears in **bold underline**. Deleted language appears in ~~**bold underline**~~.

Article II: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: MEMBERSHIP

a. SFDCCC MEMBERSHIP

2. Ex Officio members shall consist of the following:

A. Any Democrat who is elected or otherwise designated to serve, or who is serving in the following elected offices representing the City and County of San Francisco in whole or in part:

i. Assemblyperson

ii. State Senator

iii. Congressperson

iv. United States Senator

v. Mayor

vi. Members of the Board of Supervisors

vii. State Constitutional Officers

Attachment B

Proposed Amendment to Policies & Procedures Manual

New language appears in **bold underline**. Deleted language appears in ~~**bold strikethrough**~~.

ARTICLE XI. MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY AND MEMBER LIST POLICY

§1.0 The SFDCCC has three types of members. These are elected members, *ex officio* members and associate members.

- a) The elected members are those members elected by the registered Democrats in the member's Assembly District (AD). They are voting members of the SFDCCC.
- b) *Ex officio* members are elected public office holders from the Democratic Party who are the current members of the California Assembly and State Senate representing San Francisco, U.S. Congressional Representatives from San Francisco, ~~and~~ U.S. Senators who reside in San Francisco, **Mayor of San Francisco, state Constitutional Officers who reside in San Francisco and members of the Board of Supervisors**. *Ex officio* members may each send a designated representative in place of attending the SFDCCC meeting personally. *Ex officio* members exercise the right to vote, or, in their place, their representatives have that right.
- c) Associate members are the chairs or presidents of each of the chartered San Francisco Democratic clubs. Each club has one associate member. The associate member may participate in discussion but does not vote.

§1.1 The Mayor and the members of the Board of Supervisors will become *ex officio* members after the results of the June 2016 election are certified. However, Supervisors David Campos, Malia Cohen, Eric Mar and Scott Wiener will not automatically become *ex officio* members, but may choose to remain as independently elected members in order to serve a 4-year term on the SFDCCC beyond their terms on the Board of Supervisors. If any of these four members choose to remain as an independently-elected DCCC member, and that person's membership status does not change, no vacancy will be created for their position. When new Supervisors are elected or appointed to these four positions on the Board of Supervisors, the new Supervisors will automatically become *ex officio* members of the DCCC.

§1.2 The vacancies created by Section 1.1 above will be filled with the candidates in each Assembly District who did not win seats in the June 2016 SFDCCC election, but who were the next highest vote getters. For example, if three seats are created in Assembly District 17, those seats will be filled with the candidates who came in 15th, 16th and 17th in the June 2016 election in that district, and if two seats are created in Assembly District 19, those seats will be filled with the candidates who came in 11th and 12th in the June 2016 election in that district.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: MEMBERSHIP

a. SFDCCC MEMBERSHIP

1. Elected Members from Assembly Districts representing the City and County of San Francisco in whole or in part. The number of Elected Members and specific Assembly Districts are determined by provisions of the California Elections Code, California State District lines, and Federal Census data **as follows: 17 members elected in the 17th Assembly District, and 13 members elected in the 19th Assembly District. This Section 1(a)(1) takes effect after the June 2016 election is certified. The vacancies created by this amended Section 1(a)(1) will be filled with the candidates in each Assembly District who did not win seats in the June 2016 DCCC election, but who were the next highest vote getters. (For example, if three new seats were created in Assembly District 17 by changing the Supervisors to *ex officio* members, and the candidates who came in 15th, 16th and 17th in the June 2016 election in that district filled those vacancies, then the four seats added by this Section 1(a)(1) will be filled with the candidates who came in 18th, 19th, 20th and 21st in the June 2016 election in that district.)**

**Exhibit: Resolution of the San Francisco Democratic Party
Amending the Party's Bylaws and its Policies & Procedure Manual
to Expand the Party Membership**

Current Membership as of 6/11			After Rosenthal Resolution		
AD 17	AD19	Ex Officios	AD17	AD19	Ex Officios
Kim	Alioto	Pelosi	Wiener	Alioto	Pelosi
Wiener	Yee	Speier	Ammiano	Yee	Speier
Ammiano	Mar	Ting	Campos	Mar	Ting
Campos	Fewer	Chiu	Dufty	Fewer	Chiu
Dufty	Farrell	Leno	Maxwell	Farrell	Leno
Peskin	Jung	Ma	Wu	Jung	Ma
Breed	T.Hsieah	Feinstein	Gupta	T.Hsieah	Feinstein
Maxwell	Baraka		Cohen	Baraka	Lee
Wu	Lacroix		Mandelman	Lacroix	Farrell
Gupta	Anderson		Burton	Anderson	Peskin
Cohen			DeJesus	Norton	Tang
Mandelman			Alexander	Davila	Breed
Burton			Golinger	Kelly	Kim
DeJesus			Woods	Murase	Yee
			Prozan	Philhour	Avalos
			Rosenthal		
			F. Hsieh		
			Dunning		

Grassroots v Current or Former Elected					
	<u>Current</u>			<u>After Rosenthal Resolution</u>	
Grassroots	Elected	Ex Officio	Grassroots	Elected	Ex Officio
Jung	Kim	Pelosi	Jung	Wiener	Pelosi
T.Hsieh	Wiener	Speier	T.Hsieh	Cohen	Speier
Baraka*	Breed	Ting	Baraka	Alioto	Ting
Anderson	Cohen	Chiu	Anderson	Ammiano	Chiu
Wu*	Alioto	Leno	Wu	Campos	Leno
Gupta*	Farrell	Ma	Gupta	Norton	Ma
DeJesus	Ammiano	Feinstein	DeJesus	Murase	Feinstein
Lacroix*	Campos		Lacroix	Dufty	Lee
	Dufty		Prozan	Maxwell	Farrell
	Peskin		Rosenthal	Burton	Peskin
	Maxwell		Dunning	Mandelman	Tang
	Burton		Philhour	Mar	Breed
	Mandelman		Alexander	Fewer	Kim
	Yee		Golinger	Davila	Yee
	Mar		Woods		Avalos
	Fewer		F. Hsieh		
			Kelly		
*first time elected to DCCC			9 added		